Docket No.: 06-0525 **Bench Date:** 08/13/08 **Deadline:** 08/29/08

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: Claudia Sainsot, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: August 1, 2008

SUBJECT: Illinois Commerce Commission,

On its own Motion

Consideration of the federal standard on Interconnection in

Section 1254 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter the attached Order adopting Part 466.

On June 10, 2008, the Commission entered an order authorizing submission of the second notice of the proposed adoption of 83 III. Adm. Code 466, "Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities" to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules. The purpose of the proposed rule is to set out the standards for equipment to be used in interconnection. The proposed rule also sets forth the various levels of interconnection based on the capacity of the generating equipment, the application requirements for the individual levels of interconnection, and the contract requirements for the levels of interconnection. The review procedures are set out therein, as are the dispute procedures. The proposed rules will replace the emergency rules that are currently in effect, but, which will expire, by operation of law, on or about August 29, 2008.

The Joint Committee considered these amendments at its meeting on July 15, 2008, issuing its certification of no objection at that time. The Joint Committee also issued a recommendation at that time that the Commission consider amending its rulemaking to require external electric distribution companies to track their use of disconnect switches and to provide results to the Commission on a monthly basis. This action ends the second notice period, and the Commission can now adopt these rules.

The attached order adopts the proposed rules with an effective date of August 25, 2008. I recommend that you enter it.